

Appl. No. 10/045,578  
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Reply to Office Action of October 27, 2006

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Junichi OTSUKA et al.  
Serial No.: 10/045,578  
Confirmation No.: 8517  
Filed: January 11, 2002  
For: DEVICE STATUS MONITORING  
SYSTEM, DEVICE STATUS  
MONITORING METHOD, AND A  
DATA STORAGE MEDIUM AND  
OBJECT PROGRAM THEREFOR

Art Unit: 2194  
Examiner: Diem K. Cao

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 27, 2006, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments** to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.